

5 RIVERS...

The Mobile, Spanish, Tensaw, Apalachee and Blakeley

These rivers come together in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta and flow into Mobile Bay in a scenic blending of waterways. Located here is 5 Rivers, Alabama's Delta Resource Center – your gateway to Alabama's largest National Natural Landmark and the second largest river delta in America.

5 Rivers features outdoor recreation opportunities in the Delta. It fosters responsible land stewardship and conservation education in Alabama. It's the ultimate place to begin your outdoor adventure into over 250,000 acres of scenic waterways, woods and wetlands that comprise the Delta. Or, simply explore the 5 Rivers trails and facilities to soak up the natural beauty of the lower Delta.

Location



5 Rivers is located in the Southern region of the state in Spanish Fort, near the port city of Mobile, Alabama.

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www.Alabama5rivers.com



5 Rivers – Alabama's Delta Resource Center

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Hours of Operations:

Open daily (except major holidays)

from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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What can you do at 5 Rivers?

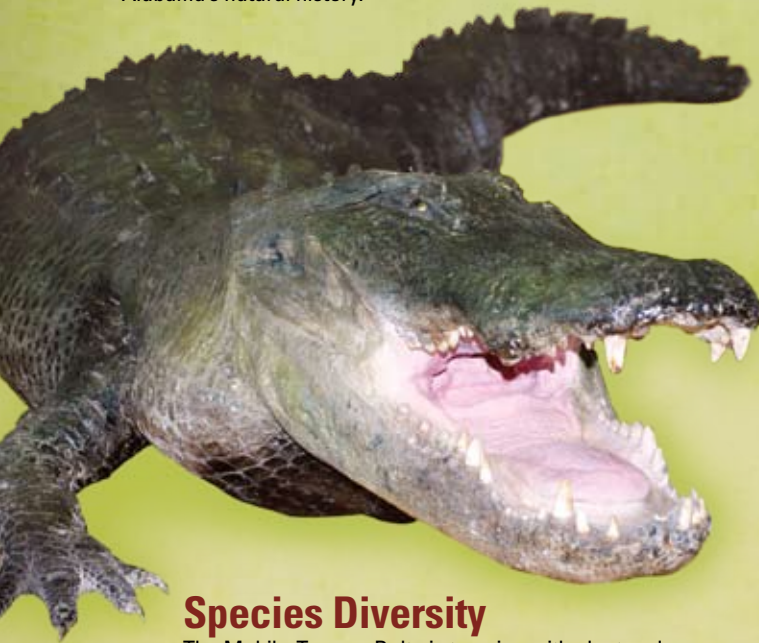


discover

Begin your 5 Rivers adventure at the **Shellbank Visitor's Center**. Find out what to do and see in the beautiful Mobile-Tensaw Delta from information and displays that reflect the culture, history and ecology of this special area over time. The Visitor's Center is also a one-stop shop for getting ideas on other great places to visit in coastal Alabama.



Preview some of what the Delta offers in the state-of-the-art **Tensaw Theater**. Movies allow you to sample a variety of recreation opportunities and highlights of the Delta and Alabama's natural history.



Species Diversity

The Mobile-Tensaw Delta is teeming with plant and animal diversity. Reptiles such as the American alligator and Alabama red-bellied turtle are found here as well as more than 300 species of birds, 126 species of fish and 500 species of plants.



explore

Take a boat ride from our dock, threading through Sardine Pass into the Blakeley River. Alligators, blue herons, various shore birds – maybe even a bald eagle! – will catch your eye as you cruise past the location of Civil War batteries and retrace the route that naturalist William Bartram took in the 1770s when he explored the Delta.

Rent a canoe or kayak and explore the Delta up close! You may also launch your own canoe or kayak at no charge from the **Bartram Canoe and Kayak Landing**. Spend your day lazily paddling the Lower Delta, or reserve an upper delta camping platform on the Bartram Canoe Trail and make it an overnight stay. Either way, you'll depart with great memories.

You don't have to leave 5 Rivers to do some exploring, however. Take a walk on our nature trails, have a picnic or enjoy some of the area's best birdwatching without ever leaving the grounds.

If you arrive by boat, pull up to our powerboat dock at Delta Hall. Then explore all there is to see and do at 5 Rivers.



learn

The **Apalachee Exhibit Hall** features changing exhibits reflecting the Delta's rich array of natural and cultural resources. You can also enjoy the work of local artists who paint, sculpt and photograph Alabama's natural wonders. The 4,000-square-foot museum features not only information about the plants and animals found in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta, but also the area's rich cultural and historical heritage. Come "face to jaws" with

the 12 ½-foot alligator from our very own backyard. Marvel at the enormous wild boar whose cousin you might chance encounter in the swamp!

Blakeley Hall is a classroom and conference facility that hosts varied educational programs and adult professional workshops. Located right on the Blakeley River, its classrooms accommodate up to 100 people while offering spectacular scenic views. This is a truly beautiful setting to learn more about protecting our unique land resources.



saturday adventures

Join us on selected Saturdays for exciting programs and demonstrations on topics ranging from fly-fishing, crabbing, coastal fishing, birding along the coastal birding trail, canoeing the Bartram Canoe Trail, the art of cast-net throwing, waterfowl hunting, wildlife photography, alligator hunting, wild hog hunting and much more!

Visit **Alabama5Rivers.com** for the schedule.



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Delta Hall is a meeting and reception space that is the perfect setting for any public or private event. The Longleaf Room accommodates breakfast and lunch meetings, while the entire building and its surrounding decks offer an unparalleled private evening reception space. Watching the sunsets over Mobile Bay and the moonrise above the Blakeley River will leave you breathless. Our views and your choice of local professional caterers make your event both personal and memorable.

Whether you have a group of 20 or 320, we accommodate your requirements. Contact us to reserve space for your next event.



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shop & support

The Cypress Gift Shop at 5 Rivers features unique outdoor-themed gifts and one-of-a-kind works from local artisans. We take pride in offering gifts you will find nowhere else in the area. Whether it's a souvenir to remember your visit or a gift for that special someone, you will find it here. Best of all, your purchases support our conservation efforts in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta!

